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Deaths at Worksites
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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a)whether incidents of death/injury to the workers have been reported at various worksites in the country;
(b)if so, the details of industrial, mining and construction worksite deaths and injury reported during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise and industry-wise; and
(c)the preventive steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
(SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA)

(a) to (c): Government of India has enacted a comprehensive legislation i.e. the Factories Act, 1948, for taking care of the occupational Safety, Health & Welfare issues of the workers employed in the factories registered under the Act. There are elaborate provisions pertaining to the health, safety, welfare provisions related to hazardous process, working hours, penal provisions etc. The Factories Act, 1948 and the State Factories Rules framed there under are enforced by the respective State/UTs for compliance to the safety, health and welfare provisions of the Act and Rules.

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The matters relating to safety, health and welfare of persons employed in the mines are dealt with under the Mines Act, 1952, Rules and Regulations made thereunder are enforced by the Directorate General of Mines Safety (DGMS) under Ministry of Labour & Employment.
To ensure that the mine workers are provided with adequate safety measures in the mines; officers of DGMS undertake inspections of mines. To prevent accidents in the mines the following steps are taken.
â€¢ Propagate safety awareness in mines, workers participation and sensitization in matters of safety and safety training programmes.

â€¢ Introduction of Risk Assessment Techniques and preparation of safety management plan aimed at elimination of risks and to ensure safety of workmen and Introduction of standard operating procedures to avoid unsafe practices in mines.

â€¢ Circulars are issued as guidelines for safe operations in identified thrust areas by DGMS.

The Building and Other Constructions Workers' (Regulation of Employment and Conditions of Service) Act, 1996 regulates the employment and conditions of service of building and other construction workers and to provide the safety, health and welfare measures.
The details of incidents of deaths and injury of the workers in the mining sector, industrial and construction worksite are enclosed at Annexure-I, Annexure-II, Annexure-IIA and Annexure-III respectively.

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